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DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID-PROBE TARGET HYBRIDS

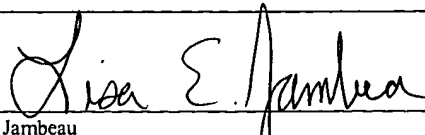
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Amendment in Response to the Office Action mailed February 2, 2004 (14 pages);
2. Petition for Extension of Time -Two (2) Months (2 pages);
3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§1.821 (f) and (g) (1 page);
4. Verified Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) (1 page);
5. Sequence Listing (1 page);
6. Sequence Listing disk;
7. Check No. 562175 in the amount of \$210.00; and
8. Return Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, <b>July 2, 2004</b> , in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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Enclosed is Check #561275 in the amount of \$210.00 to cover the Two (2) Month Extension of Time fee. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other required fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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